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CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended): A vehicle doorbeam comprising:
a one-piece, unitary deformable web closed upon itself into a tube having a cross section ~~including a first area and a second area having different thicknesses, approximately half of said cross section having a first thickness, approximately half of said cross section having a second thickness different from said first thickness; and~~
attachment portions extending from opposite ends of said tube and adapted to attach said doorbeam to a vehicle door.
2. (Original): The doorbeam of claim 1 wherein said deformable web includes opposing lateral edges, said lateral edges joined on said tube forming a seam.
3. (Original): The doorbeam of claim 2 wherein said seam is a weld.
4. (Currently amended): The doorbeam of claim 1 wherein said ~~tube comprises a center portion and attachment portions, said center portion having said closed configuration with said first thickness and said second thickness~~ are a portion of said one-piece, unitary web.
5. (Currently amended): A ~~tubular object~~ vehicle doorbeam comprising:
a unitary, one-piece deformable web closed on itself to form a generally circular tube including first and second circumferential ~~areas~~ portions having different thicknesses said tube having an inner surface and an outer surface, said outer surface being generally circular in cross section, said inner surface being generally noncircular in cross section.
6. (Currently amended): The ~~tubular object~~ vehicle doorbeam of claim 5 wherein said deformable web includes lateral edges, said lateral edges being joined ~~on said tube.~~

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7. (Currently amended): The ~~tubular object~~ vehicle doorbeam of claim 6 wherein said joined lateral edges are welded.

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